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Dir Sirs...

I am a television director who directs a show about the computer industry. The Computer Chronicles is the longest running show about the technology, we are currently in the 19th season. I have been involved in the show for almost it's entire life. My position gives me a unique perspective on the tech sector.

One point of interest about Microsoft that I would like to share with you as you make your dicisions about what to do with Microsoft is this. For the past 2 decades Microsoft has acted one way and one way only. The prevailing attitude from Microsoft has been this, "We are right, everyone else is wrong, and if we stand our ground because we can afford too, everyone else will fall in line behind us." In other words, "if we say it is so, they will believe us."

Now on first glance, this seems like corporate america at it's best. Believe it is so, be confident and achieve your dream. However, this is not the tone that Microsoft has taken.

I realize that this case is about specifics BUT everything should be taken into account when determining what the PUNISHMENT should be. This is about a PUNISHMENT, not a slap on the wrist. We have NO idea how many companies have been put out of business because of the unfair practices of Microsoft.

Look at how Microsoft has tried to TELL the government what it's punishment should be... that is just like the arrogance of Microsoft.

Microsofts punishment must be deep and just.

Do not be lulled into the spell that this company has caste on so many people.

Deliver a punishment that will make a difference and send a message to everyone.

Thank you for your time.

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